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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kayoko MASAKI et al.

Serial No. 08/772,259

Group Art Unit: 2872

Confirmation No. Unassigned

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For: SURFACE LIGHT SOURCE DEVICE OF SIDE LIGHT TYPE (As Amended)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please change the title as follows:

--SURFACE LIGHT SOURCE DEVICE OF SIDE LIGHT TYPE--.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please ADD claim 11 in accordance with the following:

11. (NEW) A surface light source device of side light type according to claim 10,  
wherein said light diffusible surface is a rough surface.

REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be entered in the above-referenced application.

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